

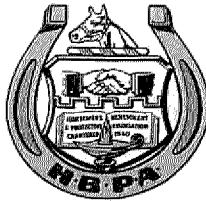
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Dear Kathleen:

The Louisiana HBPA on behalf of the Horsemen's Medical Benefit Trust requests to be placed on the next agenda in order for consideration of an advisory opinion concerning whether or not it is permissible for the Horsemen's Medical Benefit Trust to enter into a contractual agreement for services with a Louisiana State Representative. The purpose of this request is to clarify any issue associated with the Louisiana HBPA and Horsemen's Medical Benefit Trust being classified as a Quasi-Government agency. The Louisiana HBPA and its associated entities have consistently conducted its business pursuant to all applicable laws, both federal and State, without any direct classification as a Quasi-Governmental entity.

The Horsemen's Medical Benefit Trust would, if permissible, engage Acadiana Practitioners to provide medical care for personal working in the barn area of Evangeline Downs. The group that would receive medical care primarily consists of HBPA members and their employees. However, we do extend care to anyone in need located in the barn area. The type of care is comparable to what a walk-in clinic would typically provide as well-care (blood pressure screening, blood sugar screening, general health and well-being).

The Horsemen's Medical Benefit Trust is not a gaming entity. It's purpose and funding is summarized in Title 4 Section 183 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes.

We look forward to hearing from you as to whether this will be included on the next agenda. We would like to be present for the discussion.

Sincerely,

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LAHBPA Executive Director

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